

# WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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TOWN OF ELLINGTON
Water Pollution Control Authority
Public Hearing & Regular Meeting
June 21, 2005
7:00 PM
MINUTES

Present: Mark Spurling, Edward Duell and Rex Myers

Absent: Daniel Parisi, Stacie Mikol

Also Present: Pamela Lombardo, WPCA Administrator, James Thompson, Buck & Buck, Peter Michaud, Director of Public Works.

Chairman Spurling opened the continued Public Hearing on Sale of Wastewater Capacity at 8:00 p.m.

# I. Public Hearing-Policy for Sale of Wastewater Capacity-Continued from MAY 17, 2005

Lombardo reported she sent reminders to both the Planning Department and First Selectman for their input for the Public Hearing. She was told by Matt Davis, Town Planner, the Board of Zoning did not want to comment until the Zoning Plan of Development was completed and that would be 2 to 3 years from now. She had not heard from the First Selectman and recommends the Hearing be continued to August.

Hearing no further comments the Public Hearing was continued, MOVED (SPURLING) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO THE AUGUST 16, 2005 AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- II. WPCA Regular Meeting Chairman Spurling opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.
  - A. Citizen's Forum No one present
  - B. Public Works
    - 1. High School Pump Station

Peter Michaud, Director of Public Works reported that the pump at High School is working well; he is still waiting for some bills. He stated that the proposed plan for Savage's subdivision on Maple St did not increase the size of the pump for the high school pumping station.

## 2. 34 White Rd - Sewer Connection

Michaud reviewed the sewer connection for 34 White Rd. The property has a great deal of ledge which prevented it from being connected at the beginning of the project. He recommends going through Town Property directly into the Sandy Beach Sewer Line.

MOVED (SPURLING) AND SECONDED (DUELL) TO ALLOW 34 WHITE RD TO CONNECT TO THE PUBLIC SEWER ON SANDY BEACH THROUGH THE TOWN PROPERTY AS

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN. IT WILL BE THE PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HIRE A CONTRACTOR AND PAY THEM. THE PROPERTY WILL ALSO BE SUBJECT TO A SEWER BENEFIT ASSESSMENT. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### C. New Business

1. Manor Development - Bond Reduction

Per Mr. Thompson's letter of June 6, 2005, no bond reduction at this time.

2. Pinney St - Septic Systems Problems

Lombardo reported she got a call from the Heath Dept about 120 Pinney St and she is also aware of septic problems at 114 Pinney St. She recommends that the WPCA start the process for extending the sewer line for the homes on Pinney St in front of Gasek Farms.

#### 3. Skinner Bond amounts

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (DUELL) TO SET THE BOND AMOUNT OF GREAT COUNTRY GARAGES ON WEST ROAD AT \$20,000, INSPECTION \$1,300 AND ENGINEER COST AT \$1,100 AS REFLECTED IN THOMPSON'S LETTER OF JUNE 21, 2005. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Former Yost - Added to the agenda

George Jay has purchased Yost's North Park St and he would appreciate a motion to approve the project subject to James Thompson's approvals and recommendation of bond amounts etc.

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (DUELL) TO GRANT CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL FOR 59 AND 61 NORTH PARK ST, 6 BEDROOMS. CONDITIONAL ON JAMES THOMPSON'S RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING HIS RECOMMENDATION FOR BOND, INSPECTION AND ENGINEERING FEES. PASSED UNANIMOULSY

## 5. Ellington Airport Sewer Expansion

James Thompson of Buck & Buck reported that Meadowbrook Apartments LLC sent a letter dated June 13, 2005 asking to have the public sewer lines run through their property. This is a complete reversal of their position. From two meetings they denied our request to have an easement through their property. It is benefit to have the main sewer line there; it keeps the line from being so deep. The sewer line serving Industrial Rd would still need to be constructed to service future industrial properties built there. There was a general discussion that the WPCA did not want to pay for Meadowbrook Apartments private road, which is in terrible condition. Myers expresses concern on the allocation of costs that Meadowbrook Apartments would be reasonable. Thompson noted the sewer project is for the industrial development of the Airport area and any additional cost of the Apartments should be their cost. The Grant money is only for economic development and the apartments should not benefit from that money and incremental construction cost for the apartments should be their expense only. It was decided that Thompson would do alternate cost comparisons and a phone survey with the members would decide if the new sewer construction would go through the apartment complex.

# D. Old Business

## 1. Oak Hill - updates

Lombardo reported that she was still unhappy about the last letter received from Mr. Williams. Also he started work again without her knowledge, skipped the joint pre-construction meeting. Public Works is inspecting the work.

Pinney Hill Apt. - Inspection Fee Increase per Jim Thompson's recommendation in his letter of May 17, 2005.

### E. Administrative

- 1. Approval of uses for purchased capacity Public Hearing was continued to August
- Approval of Minutes for May 17, 2005 WPCA & Public Hearing Postponed (Correction Andie Greene instead of Pat Gorman)
- 3. Approval of bills for payment

MOVED (MARK) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR PAYMENT TOTALING \$122,655.15 AND LEGAL BILL FOR \$125 FOR THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED (DUELL) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO PAY JIM THOMPSON BILL FROM BUCK & BUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,260. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Town of Vernon Request for Sewer Use Billing

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (DUELL) TO APPROVE THE LANGUAGE FOR THE SEWER USE BILLING METHOD OF THE VERNON AND ELLINGTON INTERTOWN AGREEMENT OF JULY 1, 2003. TO GRANT A 7.7% CREDIT REDUCTION IN EACH QUARTHERLY SEWER USER BILL AS AN ADJUSTMEENT IN LIEU OF THE ITEMIZATION OF COSTS AND REVENUE LISTED IN EXHIBIT A AND EXHIBIT C OF THE INTERTOWN AGREEMENT. ELLINGTON'S WPCA SHALL PAY THEIR AUDITORS FOR THE REVIEW. IF THE ACTUAL EXPENSES EXCEED 8.35% ELLINGTON WOULD RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL CREDIT FOR THE VARIANCE TO 7.7%. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Sewer Use Policy - Sprinkler/Pool use

Lombardo reported that Vernon WPCA has not come back with a suggestion as to how an adjustment could be done or within certain perimeters/ Selectman Milanovich plans to follow through with the Vernon Mayor.

 Increase Sewer Permit Fee by \$25 – Will combine with legal ads for Sewer Charge August Public Hearing

MOVED (DUELL) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY AT 8:38 P.M. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Lombardo

WPCA Administrator